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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MAKING AN INCISION IN THE  
SKIN OF A SLAUGHTERED ANIMAL, AND FOR  
PERFORMING A SUBCUTANEOUS OPERATION

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir: *E*

In response to the Office Action mailed on February 25, 2002, please consider the following amendment and remarks.

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**AMENDMENT**

**In the Claims**

✓ Please cancel claim 59 without prejudice.

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Please rewrite claims 58, 60-62, 67, 68 and 70 as follows:

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